

Folks gather into the VIP tent for the change of command.

him over the years – his wife Nancy, his family, Col. (Ret.) Lee Gibson Jr. and Lt. Col. (Ret.) Bill Snider,, who served as great sounding boards and Bob Meyer, who coached him at his first assignment in the Corps of Engineers. He also thanked Hurst and his wife, Ingrid, in assisting him in making the transition here.

"A theme throughout the history of this District is to adapt to the changes and continue to provide excellent service. I'm confident we'll continue to do that, "he said. "I'm excited and honored to be a part of your team."

Wang comes to the District from the Army Strategic Command, U.S. Army Space Command in Peterson, Co. where he served as Crisis Action Center Chief since 2003. He has also served in two Corps districts – the Mobile District as Area Commander for Columbia, South America from 2002-2003, and the Omaha District Project Engineer for



Lt. Col. Wang takes a moment to relax with his son on the patio following the ceremony.



The color guard presents the colors.

the Rocky Mountain Area Office from 1996-1998.

Wang was commissioned into the Corps of Engineers in 1986 and has served in a variety of command and staff assignments including Battalion Assistant Operations Officer and Company Commander for the 536<sup>th</sup> Engineer Battalion in Fort Kobbe, Panama; Resident Engineer with NATO in Croatia, and numerous overseas operations throughout Central and South America, the Balkans and Persian Gulf regions.

He is a Distinguished Military Graduate from the Colorado School of Mines' ROTC program, earning a Bachelor's Degree in Geologic Engineering in 1986. He received his Master's Degree in Environmental Engineering from Oklahoma State University in 1995. He is a Registered Professional Engineer in the state of Colorado.

Wang's military education includes the Engineer Officer Basic and Advanced courses, the Combined Arms and Service Staff School, and the Army Command and General Staff College.

He has received several awards and decorations, including the Bronze Star Medal, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal, Army Commendation Medal, Army Achievement Medal, Meritorious Unit Commendation, National Defense Service Medal, NATO Medal, Kuwait Liberation Medal (Saudi Arabia) Kuwait Liberation Medal (Kuwait), the Senior Parachutist Badge and the Venezuelan Parachutist Badge.

A native of Crookston, Minnesota, Wang is married to the former Nancy Rader. They are the parents of two children, Kiersten, 11, and Thorin,  $7.\square$